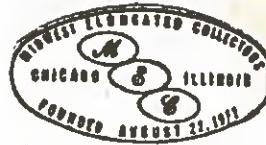


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MIDWEST ELONGATED COLLECTORS SECOND QUARTER NEWSLETTER 1973



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GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING MINUTES MAY 11, 1973

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER - By Burton Neal Levy at 8:05 PM.

MINUTES - Of the February 9, 1973 meeting were read by James E. Hicks and approved as read.

TREASURERS REPORT - Lynne Levy stated the treasury contained \$ 147.75.

COMMITTEE REPORTS - Were given:

Program - Mr. Bob Callander was scheduled as guest speaker this evening but due to a death in the family Mr. Callander was unable to attend.

Membership - Burt Levy stated that eight new members had joined since the last membership meeting. In the next newsletter an application will be enclosed for members to pass on to a friend.

MEC Museum - David Singer acknowledged a recent donation made by Mr. Abe Gefter. James E. Hicks is preparing a certificate to be presented to those who make donations to the museum.

OLD BUSINESS - James Hicks stated that Coin World and Numismatic News have not acknowledged the presentation of the Honorary Lifetime Memberships in their publications. Mr. Hicks will follow up with a letter to try to get any publicity possible.

NEW BUSINESS - Mr. Rudolph Skaritka made a motion to make Mr. William Blaha an honorary member for the remainder of the 1973 calendar year in the memory of our late Vice President Mr. Henry W. Blaha. The motion was voted on and passed.

AUCTION - Mr. Ben Odesser auctioned several elongateds rolled by Henry Blaha and donated the proceeds of \$ 19.50 to the MEC treasury.

REFRESHMENTS - Were served compliments of Betty Kirby and Lynne Levy.

AJOURNMENT - 10:15 PM. - An auction and sale followed the meeting which was conducted by Ben Odesser.

EDITOR'S NOTE - The above minutes are not the official club minutes, but a summary prepared by the editor.



WE DON'T LIKE TO BEG
BUT WE NEED YOUR ARTICLE!!!

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BURTON NEAL LEVY



RE: WHAT IS THAT COIN WORTH? 1st Quarter Newsletter

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT: TOM HUDSON

Your article "What Is That Coin Worth?" brings out a very interesting question who puts a value on it? How did he (she) come to that figure, and how long does that figure last? Does condition have anything to do with it?

In coins and medals mintage is the main judge of their value, but in elongated coins do we know for sure how many were minted? Are elongated coins more valuable on real coins or on blanks? Is there any way of knowing just exactly how rare an elongated coin is?

Is a book on all known elongated coins plausible and possible, and can it be put out for a reasonable cost to the majority of collectors? I heard that Dottie Dow's book sold for forty bucks a copy. I wonder if it was put into print again with all the pieces listed plus all known new ones if it would be practical and not too costly. How many new collectors have there been since it was printed, and how many collectors would buy a copy if one became available?

These are a lot of questions but you and a few others are in a position to have the answers.

P.S. The above picture is a bit of nostalgia in the life of Tom Hudson. It was taken in 1947 when Tom was a pharmacist mate 3/c USN.

Congratulations on being elected President for 1973, let's make it a bang up year Burt. - Bob Luchtman

I was very much interested in the article, "The Bread Rollers", by David J. Singer, in the quarterly. By coincidence, I was the attorney for the man who owned the concession at The Chicago World's Fair, that sold rolled out coins, in 1933 and 1934. His name was Mr. J.F. Cornelius, and I believe that Mr. Bert Elmer (Mr. Singer's employer) worked for Mr. Cornelius. If Mr. Elmer is a member of MEC, I would enjoy seeing him again, and talking about old times. - Leo L. Ginsburg

(Continued on the next page)

Only one correction. - I've had elongated coins in bottles for about 3 yrs. now. If you look back in last years TEC, I've advertized them there. I also sent one to Don Adams. This is where he probably got the idea.

I think Luchtman came out with one at the sametime I did. He has a lords prayer in one. - C.J. Meccarello

You might wish to mention that Ralph Jones' JFK elongateds, with photos, are reported in Aubrey Mayhew's, "The World's Tribute To John F. Kennedy In Medallic Art".

This book was on sale for \$ 2.98 at a Bambergers store in our area (published price was \$ 12.98 back in 1966) so I thought other members might wish to be on the lookout for this bargain. - Jack Wilcox

ROLLERS OFFER ILLUSTRATIONS:

Just what we all have waited for!..Illustrated listings of elongated coins either engraved or rolled by the following rollers:



R.W. LUCHTMAN

Box 241
Arivaca, Ariz. 85601

LLOYD E. WAGAMAN

— ELONGATED COINS —
ROUTE # 1 — BOX 195-D
CAMBY, INDIANA 46113

The above rollers offer their illustrations free of charge except for the mailing costs. Supplies limited so act now!

C7 Cee Ceven Elongates - Two pages with one hundred & seventeen illustrations - Mailing cost; self-addressed stamped envelope.

R.W. Luchtman - Twelve pages, loose leaf with four hundred and forty-three illustrations. Mailing cost; 16¢, stamps.

Lloyd E. Wagaman - A forty-four page booklet titled, "The Elongated Coins Issued by Lloyd E. Wagaman", with one hundred and forty elongated issues and thirteen PNC covers. Mailing cost; 16¢ in stamps for third class mail or 32¢ for first class mail.

DEALERS-ROLLERS

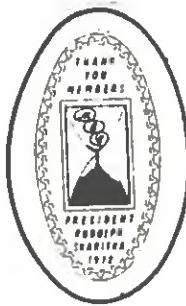
Do you have a price list or other information you would like to make available for distribution? Send all the particulars to the editor and the information will be made available to our members.

FREE ELONGATED COINS:



The attached two-sided elongated coin was donated by Mr. C.J. Meccarello. This is one of many different combinations which can be produced by interchanging dies.

The attached elongated coin rolled on a cent is presented to all MEC members in appreciation to the cooperation extended to Mr. Rudolph Skaritka (C7 Elongates) during his presidency of 1972. Members registered for the year of 1972 will receive the same elongated rolled on a dime in the near future.



E-11



E-3

"A POPULAR ELONGATED"

By Rudolph Skaritka
CEE CEVEN ELONGATES

A friend of ours asked me "WHAT IS THE MOST POPULAR ELONGATED COIN YOU HAVE ROLLED UP TO THIS TIME?". Without thinking, I mentioned E-11, Devils Tower. A few days later as I was checking our files I came across the inventory record of all our elongateds. After checking further, I was surprised to see that E-3 "MOUNT RUSHMORE" had a #1 following the name which made that one the leader of all our elongateds, and E-11 was not far behind.

Why was the Mount Rushmore elongated so popular? Have you been there?

Carved out of a mountain of granite stone, the four massive figures, towering 500 feet above the valley floor and 5,600 feet above sea level can be seen for miles, they are, in proportion to men, 475 feet high. From left to right they are, George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, Theodore Roosevelt and Abraham Lincoln. I think this description may be the reason for its popularity.

According to Dottie Dow's book "The Elongated Collector" page 98, simulated elongated coins #5 and #5a also show Mount Rushmore but these are not rolled out coins. We here at Cee Ceven are proud to have rolled E-3 and hope it is an asset in your collection.

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HENRY BLAHA

departed
Wednesday, March 21, 1973

Services held at
Cermak Home For Funerals
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Monday, March 26, 1973
11:00 A.M.

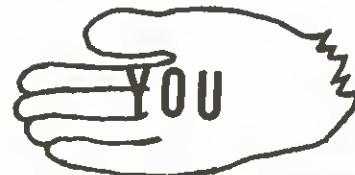
Cremation
Bohemian National Cemetery

Officiating
Frank Kostka

Organist
Anna Kudrle

HENRY . . .

MAY GOD HOLD



IN THE PALM OF HIS HAND

"MEETING A FELLOW MEMBER"

By Paul Aubry

At a coin show in New Jersey I met my first MEC member (Jack Wilcox). Jack had written me saying he would be at the show with an exhibit of his elongated coins.

When I first got there I found his exhibit but no Jack. I asked the exhibit chairman if he knew Jack, and he said yes, and started looking around the room for him. He finally saw him and pointed him out to me.

After I introduced myself we started looking around at the dealers tables, but not to my surprise there weren't many elongated coins to be seen.

After looking around for awhile we went out to his car so I could look through Dottie Dow's book that I had asked Jack to bring—I had never seen one before. I also got some coins that I needed from Jack.

We went back inside after an hour of talking in his car, and started talking about the coins in his own exhibit and some that were not in it. I learned a lot about elongateds and I would like now to thank Jack for a very informative day.

FOR TRADE

I have the following for trade: Presidential series; Royal Float, New Orleans '68; Ten Commandments; Mardi Gras Mask '68, New Orleans; Mark Spitz 1972; American Revolution Bicentennial Flag.

YNL Phillip W. Ott, USN
NMCB ONE H-Co Admin
FPO New York 09501

WANTED

Lloyd Wagaman's storecard var. 2, with TEC membership number stamped on it. Also ILL-CPIE # 67 & 68a. Send offers to:

Paul Aubry
128 Jane Street
Englewood, New Jersey
07631

WHERE THE MEMBERS ARE:

California has the largest group of elongated collectors according to TEC membership, claiming 40, with Illinois second with 24. Michigan and New York are tied for third with 13, followed by Indiana with 12. Then comes Pennsylvania and Missouri with 10. Connecticut has nine, and Ohio eight. Florida and New Jersey, seven, Virginia, six, Colorado and Massachusetts five, Minnesota, Iowa, Maryland, four, Wisconsin and Oregon, three, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Washington, Rhode Island, and big Texas two.

Foreign countries, Canada has two and England one. States with one member are Maine, Alabama, Kentucky, North Carolina, Nebraska, Kansas, Vermont, and Hawaii.

So when I was in Honolulu in February, I phoned Samuel D.Y. Ching, 1267 Kanewai, Honolulu, Hawaii, Oahu. The operator informed me the phone was inactive. Seems like elongated collector Mr. Ching took a vacation the same time I did.

Thank you Abe Gefter for your generous donation to the MEC museum. In March Abe gave an elongated talk to members of the Israel Numismatic Society of New York and displayed Judaic issues...Jack Wilcox displayed elongated coins at the Bergen County Coin Club (Feb. 24th) displaying three cases on "Theme Collecting Elongateds" one on "Space", the second, "Christmas", and the third various themes with four examples of each...Congratulations to Joseph L. Thornhill on his recent promotion to Jacksonville, Florida...Rollers have their trade marks. Ed McClung uses wavey lines as a border. C7 rollers use exactly that - a C and a seven. And famous Dottie Dow uses dots, of course... Sally Kirka now has her own rolling machine, has four new dies made and is contemplating four more. Good luck Sally! Can't wait to see them!

CORRECTION

Reference; Chester M. Rogers
JAN - FEB - MAR
ADVERTISEMENT

DIXEY'S COVE - SALHOUSE POINT
(One elongated)

FIREMAN'S MUSTER
(Spelled incorrectly)

**NEW MEMBERS**

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|------------------------|--------------------------|
| 68. David E. Stoicheff | 73. Herman S. Maul, M.D. |
| 69. James Scardino | 74. Richard Montford |
| 70. Sheldon Green | 75. Ben Odesser |
| 71. Leo L. Ginsburg | 76. William G. Blaha |
| 72. Bruce C. Sumner | |



+ Dottie

ELONGATED ROLLER

ELONGATEDS MADE TO ORDER

CHESTER M. ROGERS

P. O. BOX 300

BEVERLY, MASS. 01915



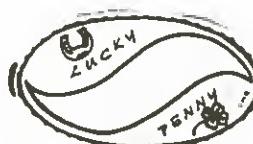
Elongated Lincolns; Most of these are from an early area where the first settlers came to this Country-American History:

- * The Balch House 1636 } Dies Destroyed
 X Ye Old Meeting House 1682 } 200 rolled on
 X Woodberry Tavern 1690 } Lincoln cents.
 X Standley House 1700
 X Pioneer Village
 f Salem Witch House
 X 350th Anniversary Gloucester 1623-1973
 The roller's HAND engraved piece

- X Salthouse Point
 X ** Schooner Hannah 1775
 X First Church 1667
 X Grand Patriarch
 X Fireman's Muster
 X Lucky Penny
 Serenity Prayer
 Rogers Coat of Arms

- * The oldest wooden building in the United States. (listed)
 ** The first Continental Navy Ship-Commissioned 1775. X

The above elongateds may be purchased for 50¢ each or in a set composed of a penny, nickel, dime, quarter and a yen (alum) for \$ 4.00 a set.



(Paid Ad)

? THE QUESTION BOX ?

Question - How many copies of Dottie Dow's book were printed?

Answer - From Dottie herself - "On the # of copies of "The Elongated Collector"-there were 535 copies made up-100 of the Library Black Cloth & 435 of the Coppertone Edition. I figured I'd be lucky if I ever sold half of them as there were only 13 real serious Collectors that I knew of. - Dottie

Question - What elongateds did Henry W. Blaha roll?

Answer - Thanks to Lloyd E. Wagaman:

O God, Thy sea is so great
Have a Merry and a Happy too
Aladdin's Lamp

TEC '70

May God Hold You

Cicero, Flying Capitol of the World 1912

May you be in heaven a half hour before the Devil knows your dead
What we are...in Gods gift to us

May the roads rise with you
Ride a hobby

Alice-Steve

TEC '71

Shalom

Question - How many varieties of the Lords Prayer are there?

Answer - There are about one hundred different varieties listed in "The Elongated Collector" and atleast the same amount of varieties produced since that time.

Question - Which modern roller has rolled the most coins?

Answer - This question can be interpreted in two ways so I shall answer both. (1) Lloyd E. Wagaman has rolled the most elongated coin mintage. (2) Dottie Dow has produced the most elongated coin dies with her initials. (Editor's opinion-subject to correction.)